



Eastwood Newsletter



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The Men's Club Championship

August 2 & 3, 2014

Our next event, scheduled for Saturday & Sunday, August 2 and 3, is the annual Club Championship! This event features a championship flight and other flights by handicaps to determine their divisions. You must have five 18 - hole rounds posted or you will be moved to the next flight (i.e., flight three to flight two.)

Play will begin on the 1st tee. The Championship Flight will play from the Black Tees. All other flights will play from the Blue Tees. Tee times will be assigned beginning around 7:30 a.m. each day. On Saturday the Championship Flight will start first followed by the remaining flights. On Sunday flights will be reverse in order and in accordance with Saturday's scorers.

There is a Senior Flight for those over age 50, and a Super-Senior Flight for those 60 and over. Please contact the clubhouse and let them know which flight you are eligible for.

Competition will be gross scores within each flight. Payouts for placing will be in the form of chits from the golf shop. Each flight winner will receive a trophy and chits; second & third place will receive chits.

Tee times for Saturday will be available by Friday afternoon. Stay Friday evening for the annual Putting Contest, a challenge of skill, cunning and story- telling. Look for details inside the newsletter.

Sign-up deadline is Thursday, July 31st.

Letter from our Club President

Friday Night Festivities of the Club Championship

So, we have the best event of the year coming up and no it's not the Club Championship...it's the Friday night events the evening before. **Food, fun events and cash prizes.** Come test your game before you tee it up Saturday and join in on the heckling during the putting and chipping contest. Most of us will be out of the running by the 4th or 5th hole Saturday anyway, so let's have some fun before the crying starts.

Putt & Chip Details

5 - 7 p.m. are qualifying rounds

7 - 8 p.m. are play-offs

\$5 gets you: 1 ball for the 9 hole putting course & 3 pitches from 30 – 50 yards
(Low putts wins & Closest to the pin wins)

Buy-in as many times as you like...take 1st, 2nd and 3rd
100% payout to winners – the more you play the more you could win
All are welcome...the more the merrier!

Some Tournament Action Upcoming

MGA Net Amateur Team

Tuesday-Wednesday, September 2-3 at Grand View Lodge (The Pines/The Preserve)

Four person teams. No handicap index requirement.

\$520 per team (\$130 per person), includes carts, range balls, plus dinner Tuesday night, two drink tickets, and lunch Wednesday.

Entry deadline: August 19

Register at: http://www.mngolf.org/Tournament/22nd_MGA_Net_Amateur_Team_Championship

Letter from our Club Professional

Dear Men's Club Members,

Summer finally made it to our area. With our Men's Club Championship August 2nd and 3rd, I hope you can all play and find out head to head, who our best players are over 36-Holes of stroke play competition. The festivities kick-off Friday evening with our annual Putting Championship. Our Men's Club Board has decided to add some other competitions to that event. Charlie Brannon and Jess always thrown in some good food and beverages to top off the evening. I hope to see you all there.

I would like to thank Dave Brudwick and the grounds crew staff for making Eastwood arguably in the best shape it has ever been in. We know there are challenges ahead, but attention to detail is what we should always strive for.

Saturday, September 13th, Eastwood will be hosting the first day of the 2014 Rochester All-City Golf Championship. I hope you will all play in this event. If you cannot commit to the three day event I would like to establish a volunteer list to help mainly with spotting golf balls on specific holes. Please sign up in the golf shop if you are interested.

Thank you,
Your PGA Professional
Jeff Gorman

Applications for the
Rochester All-City
Championship will be out
August 2nd

Play By the Rules

With the Men's Club Championship coming this month here is a story regarding the Rule of Golf. The rules are set by the United States Golf Association – the USGA. Our play in the Eastwood Men's Club events is governed by these rules. Most of us have a little book provided by the USGA which outlines the Rules of Golf. Interestingly, the first section in the book is on the "Etiquette – Behavior on the Course" – things like the Spirit of the Game, Pace of Play, Care of the Course – keep the carts on the cart path and away from the greens!! The next section of the book outlines the 34 rules – that's it, just 34 rules govern the play of golf. Sometimes the rules can be complex too and so the little book is 200 pages long!!

However, to make things more complex **or** easier to understand the rules the USGA periodically publishes another book "Decisions on the Rules of Golf." Believe it or not this book is 550 pages long. Here are just five (5) examples from this book -

Q 1. At a par-3 hole, a player, believing his original ball may be lost, plays a provisional ball. He searches five minutes for the original ball and then plays the provisional ball onto the green. At that point, the original ball is found in the hole. What is the ruling?

Q 2. A player's ball lies in a bunker. He casually throws a rake into the bunker for use after his stroke. The rake does not move his ball or improve the lie of the ball. Does the player incur a penalty?

Q 3. A player's ball lies under a parked car. What is the procedure?

Q 4. Is the footprint of a burrowing animal, a reptile or a bird a "hole, cast or runway" within the meaning of these terms in the Definition of "Abnormal Ground Conditions"?

Q 5. A player's ball lies on a putting green. Casual water is not visible on the green. However, when the player walks beside his line of putt, casual water is visible around the player's feet. Is the player entitled to relief?

From the desk of the Assistant Pro

Gentlemen,

Another summer is quickly passing, and as the Club Championship is approaching quickly I would like to remind you to sign up and get a chance to test your golfing skill in the event. The putting championship on Friday night is always fun for those who attend and there will be a chipping championship this year as well. Hope many of you can stop out and enjoy this fun event. It has been a great year of golf so far and I cannot imagine the next few months will be any different.

I have been fortunate to get to play some golf this season in Assistant's Events as well as with many of you. This year I will again be playing in the Assistant's Pro-Am with Ray LeGrand, and we are both hoping to have a great time and to play a little better this year. Also the Assistant's Championship is coming up in September and I will be selling raffle tickets for this event, they will become available sometime in August I am told.

64-Man and 4-Ball matches are moving along well this year and I would like to thank you all for being diligent in scheduling your matches. I would like to thank Ross Messick for posting the matches online and for keeping up with those who have fallen just a bit behind in getting those matches in.

This has been a great season for not only myself but the golf course and I cannot thank you guys enough for helping make my job very easy.

Thank you and hope to see you out on the course,

Drew Muhich

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Play By the Rules – The Answers Are.....

A 1. The player's score is 1. The play of the hole was completed when the player holed the original ball (Rule 1-1).

A 2. No. Placing a rake in a bunker is permissible. In this case, throwing the rake into the bunker was the equivalent of placing it.

A 3. If the car is readily movable, it should be treated as a movable obstruction and moved – see Rule 24-1. If the car is not readily movable, it should be treated as an immovable obstruction and the player is entitled to relief as provided in Rule 24-2b.

A 4. No a footprint is an irregularity of surface from which there is no relief without penalty. Think deer tracks in a bunker.

A 5. Not unless there is casual water visible around the player's feet when he takes his stance – see Definition of "Casual Water."

Golf has only 34 Rules, however, there can be many unusual situations on a golf course!